

# "WAR BABY" GETS "SUFF" PICKETS NEW HOME HERE ASK NEW TRIAL

## F. Fenchum Is First Daughter Left Behind by Soldier Father.

Washington's first "war baby"—two months old Sara F. Fenchum, whose father has enlisted in the United States Army and gone off to the front in France—has been adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Ernest D. Maxwell, 203 V street, northeast, who yesterday filed a petition in the District Supreme Court to legalize the adoption.

"We have had several children and lost them," Mrs. Maxwell said last night, "and although we have a boy we always wanted a girl baby too."

Sara's father deserted his little girl and her mother, who is in straitened circumstances.

### Enjoys Auto Ride.

In her new home, Sara is bound to be happy, for she will have a kind mother and father who can give her anything a girl would want. Last night, Sara had her first experience in riding in an automobile. She was out more than three hours, and expressed her delight in excited gurgles and chuckles.

Just what little Sara wanted to express by her gurgles is not known, but it is unlikely that she was demanding that her adopted parents install one of those new-fangled ham-mocks in the automobile which permit babies to accompany their elders on motor car trips and sleep at the same time.

Sara was only six weeks old when Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell decided to adopt her. Their idea was to adopt a baby so young that it would never know any parents but themselves. What ever may happen to her soldier father, one thing is certain—his little girl will never be in need of a good home as long as her adopted parents live.

## LACK OF BATHING CAUSING DISEASE

Amsterdam, Aug. 24.—The proposed prohibition of bathing at home in Germany to save fuel and soap is called rank folly by the Vossische Zeitung of Berlin.

The paper says many public baths already are closed, owing to a lack of coal, and attributes notable increases in skin disease, dysentery and other disorders to enforced uncleanness.

The Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung also points out the increase in cases of dysentery in Berlin, a high percentage of which is fatal, typhoid, which is spreading, also is causing uneasiness.

## Popular Pastor Writes Herald Sunday Sermon

Rev. James Shera Montgomery, pastor of the Calvary Methodist Episcopal Church, Columbia road, near Fourteenth street northwest, will write the Sunday sermon for The Herald this week.

Coming to Washington about four years ago, the Rev. Montgomery was assigned pastor of Metropolitan Methodist Episcopal Church. In March, 1916, he was called to the Calvary Methodist Episcopal Church, where he is now working with great success.

The Rev. Montgomery today ranks as one of the most prominent preachers in Washington and his sermons receive universal commendation. Not only prominent is he distinguished as a pastor, but also as a public-spirited citizen and tireless worker for civic betterment.

## TREMENDOUS TROUSER SALE

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# Men More Wicked Than Women; Courts of Capital Show Greater Number of Wives Seek Divorce

## Attorney Hurries to Massachusetts to Lay Papers Before Judge.

Matthew E. O'Brien, counsel for the six suffragist pickets convicted in the Police Court yesterday, was last night speeding to Falmouth, Mass., the summer home of Judge Robb, of the Court of Appeals, with papers and evidence supporting his application for a new trial.

Judge Pugh, in the Police Court, fined the pickets \$25 each with the alternative of 30 days at Occoquan. Herman Gasch furnished security in the sum of \$100 for each of the women and they were released, pending their appeal.

The Police Court trial was brief and Attorney O'Brien was overruled on each attempt to delay the procedure by technical appeals. To all of the judge's rulings, counsel noted an exception.

Capt. Flather was the only witness for the prosecution. He testified that the pickets had caused a crowd to create around the White House gates and that upon request by the police, the women refused to move on and the crowd lingered.

### Prisoners Present Their Side.

Each of the prisoners made a brief speech setting forth her case. Judge Pugh offered the pickets immunity if they would promise never to picket again. Mrs. Hunter rose and said, "We cannot bind ourselves with any promise."

Judge Pugh in passing sentence declared that no one in the District has a voice in the government, but that men didn't look to the White House gates to demand their rights. He urged the women to draw a lesson from the meek submission of the men.

"There is no District official who is elected," said the Judge. "They are all appointed by the President. The District is ruled by the President."

He repeated that no one has the right to stand on the sidewalk where even a few people may be tempted to linger as the result of their standing there.

The suffragists all declare that if their motion is denied they will serve a jail sentence rather than pay a fine.

Picketing will be resumed in a few days, the leaders at Cameron House say.

"The President is the only person who can give us our political liberty," said Miss Alice Paul, national chairman of the woman's party. "We will insist on our right to petition him to redress our grievances by the immediate passage of the Susan B. Anthony amendment."

William Upton Watson, of Chicago, was permitted to visit his wife, who is one of the six pickets serving 30 days sentence at the workhouse. He reported to Cameron House that he found the women insistent on serving his wife in her stand, and will make no effort to have her released.

## SCHOOL POPULATION WILL SHOW INCREASE

How many pupils are there going to be in the public schools on opening day, September 17?

That is what the local school heads would like to have solved for this year. During the past year it is estimated that about 50,000 more people have moved to Washington which will mean that more children have come with them and that more children will be in the schools.

It is certain that an increase will be noted, but how much is the question that cannot be solved at the present.

## TO BUILD 1,270 SHIPS AS MERCHANT FLEET

### Boards Plan Comprehends Spending of More Than Two Billions.

More than \$2,000,000,000 will be invested in merchant ships by the United States before the present program of the Shipping Board is completed. It was announced yesterday. A total of 1,270 ships of a tonnage of 7,966,000 will be built in addition to nearly 2,000,000 tons of shipping on the stocks in American yards which has been commandeered by the Emergency Fleet Corporation. It is expected that ships of 2,880 tons, \$450,000 under negotiation, 227 ships of 1,281 tons, \$184,000 tons, \$200,000 tons, and construction of government-owned fabricating yards, \$35,000,000.

Approximately \$150,000,000 will be spent on commandeering and \$150,000,000 on the purchase of ships. The appropriation asked for the fiscal year ending 1918, for building, \$250,000,000 for commandeering, and \$150,000,000 for purchases.

The number of British women engaged in war industries has nearly doubled during the first two years of war. In 1914 there were 1,096,000, today there are 2,390,000.

## Men More Wicked Than Women; Courts of Capital Show Greater Number of Wives Seek Divorce

Husbands of the National Capital are a much more wicked lot than their wives. Nearly three times as many divorce suits have been filed to date this year, by wives than by husbands. One hundred and forty-six women have appealed to the District Supreme Court for either absolute divorces, limited divorces, or annulments and separate maintenance since January 1 of this year.

Of this number, sixty-four were for absolute divorces, thirty-four for limited divorces, nine for annulments, and twenty-four for separate maintenance. Husbands who complained of unruly spouses numbered, fifty-five for absolute divorces, only six for limited divorces, and six for annulments.

During all of last year, 276 divorce suits were filed. Of these 141 were for absolute divorces, eighty-six filed by wives and fifty-five by husbands. Eighty-three filed suits for limited divorce, only seven husbands sought relief for similar grounds, seven annulment suits were filed, four by men and three by women. Thirty-eight suits for separate maintenance were filed during the year. 1916 out-classes 1917 so far and goes the year 1915 a little better.

### Two Years' Record.

During 1915, 566 suits were filed. Of these, 322 were for absolute divorces, fifty-seven filed by husbands and seventy-five by wives. Seventy-three suits were for limited divorces by wives, and only five by men. Nine annulment suits were filed, two by wives and seven by husbands. Forty-one maintenance suits were filed that year.

For the period of a little over two and a half years 712 suits were filed of all kinds, 531 by wives and 179 by husbands—nearly three times as many wives as husbands were wives. More than half of the entire number were for absolute divorces. Infidelity is more often than other causes, if we are to judge by the record, although there are husbands and wives who are putting up with a great deal.

Many of each other's faults for various reasons such as children, poverty, fear of publicity, ignorance, and many other reasons.

All told 354 men and women have found affliction, and got into trouble thereby. Two hundred and fifty-eight suits among the total for limited divorces. Cruelty, drunkenness, non-support, incompatibility of temper, too much mother-in-law on both sides, stepchildren, staying out nights, unnatural treatment, at times, lack of interest in the home, general dissatisfaction, the high cost of living, failure of the husbands earning capacity through drink or other dissipation and other causes too numerous to mention, are listed in these suits for limited divorce.

One hundred and three maintenance suits is the record for two and a half years. Many of the causes listed for limited divorces apply to the maintenance suits. Temper, refusal of husband or wife to leave their parents, homes, the white lights of Ninth street and other places, husband or wife pulling out and losing heart in the marriage game, and other causes big and little lead many women to seek a separate maintenance.

Only about 25 per cent of the suits mentioned have been settled. About 10 per cent have been dismissed by request or for lack of evidence. It is safe to assume that 25 per cent of the remainder will be settled within the next year, 10 per cent will be dismissed and the balance settled in favor of the plaintiff.

All told men are more wicked than women. Of course some of the women beat their husbands to the court and cross-bills filed on them, but the number is small. It all goes to show, however, that the women are more fussy than the men, judging by the number of suits for limited divorce filed by women, 220 against 18 by men, more than 12 times as many.

### 'SILENT' POLICEMAN VICTIM OF AUTOIST

Reckless Driver Knocks Pullman's Sentinel from Post.

"Keep to the right," proclaimed the "silent" policeman at Vermont avenue and K street northwest, as a badly solitary waver over belated motorists in the "wee wee" hours of yesterday morning.

Reckless, he did not veil a word of warning to an approaching motorist, speeding toward him at a reckless pace.

Neither on account of near-sightedness, or indifference to the indulgence of festivities during the evening, or on account of the inborn hate which every true motorist has for the traffic policeman, the moment refused to obey the silent command and, instead of shifting a few points to starboard, he plunged straight ahead into the form of the "silent."

Today there will be a successor for the faithful silent guardian of the law on the post. And in the hard heartedness of the human race, the former servant of the pedestrian will probably be turned into junk.

### INVITE D. C. ODD FELLOWS.

All Odd Fellows of Alexandria are cordially invited to accompany the delegation from here to Accotink on Monday, August 27.

The committee in charge of the affair state, that indications are that this will be the largest delegation of that order that has ever gone out of the town.

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